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What's Happening in the City of Fairfax



BUSINESS CORNER

In Search of City Merchants with 'Mason Spirit'

The City of Fairfax Economic Development Office joins George Mason University in seeking city businesses with Mason Spirit for special promotional consideration by Mason.



"Mason Spirit" businesses display Mason-related materials such as flags, banners and other visible images that show their Mason Pride both inside the facility and viewable to passers-by (logos, window images, etc.).

Those businesses that display their Mason Spirit may be eligible to be featured in Mason's *I Spy Mason* campaign. Organized by Mason's Office of Government and Community Relations, the weekly Facebook posting displays images and business information of selected merchants.

Want more Mason Spirit? Contact the Economic Development Office to find out how to display Mason Spirit items or even sell Mason merchandise: Nicole.Hange@fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7851.



Looking for parking in Old Town Fairfax?
Find it on the free city app!
www.fairfaxva.gov/mobileapp

If you're new to the city, welcome!
Call 703-385-7800
for new resident information.

Old Town Fairfax is the Place to Be May 2!



Old Town Square Grand Opening Celebration May 2

Ribbon-cutting at 9 a.m.

Celebration through 11 a.m.
features performances
by 7th Position and Peter McCorry

Information: 703-385-7858



Kentucky Derby
on the Big Screen
Whisky Tasting



Saturday
May 2
2:00 PM-7:00 PM

Old Town Square
Downtown Fairfax
www.Derby-Q.com

Craft Beer Tasting
Good Food
Great Music



Zoning Ordinance Rewrite Open House, Presentation May 27

On May 27, the City of Fairfax will host an open house and presentation on the draft zoning and subdivision ordinances, which are part of a comprehensive Zoning Rewrite.

Residents, business owners and industry professionals are encouraged to review the draft and share comments with the project team at an open house from 1-4 p.m. May 27 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

The project team will give a presentation on the draft zoning and subdivision ordinances at 7 p.m. May 27 at the Sherwood Community Center. The presentation will provide an overview of the draft documents, highlighting updates and

revisions to the city's land development regulations, and the public is encouraged to ask questions and offer input at the presentation.

The rewrite project was initiated to develop clear and user-friendly ordinances consistent with present-day plans and policies. Modifications have been recommended to both the zoning and subdivision ordinances.

City staff have been assisted in the review of the detailed code language by an advisory committee comprised of industry professionals, business community, board and commission members and residents. Information: www.zoningfairfax.com, 703-385-7930, Twitter: @ZoningFairfax.



City **NEWS** AND Notes



City Government Observes Memorial Day

City government offices will be closed May 25 in observance of Memorial Day. General District Court will be closed; 703-385-7866.

CUE Bus will run on a Saturday schedule; 703-385-7859.

The Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center will be open; 703-385-8414.

Refuse and recyclables will not be collected Monday, May 25. Regular Monday and Tuesday service will be provided on Tuesday, May 26; 703-385-7837.

Memorial Day Ceremony Planned for May 25

The public is invited to a Memorial Day ceremony at 10 a.m. May 25 at the Veterans Amphitheater (adjacent to City Hall). The event will be hosted by the American Legion Post 177 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8469.

ESC Speaker Series Continues May 6

The Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC) speaker series at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month preceding the ESC monthly meeting. Lecture topics include *Streams* May 6 and *Invasive Plants* June 3. Information: 703-385-7816.

Woman's Club Spotlights FHS Fashion Arts May 9

See original fashion by the Fairfax Academy for Communications & the Arts at

the Woman's Club of Fairfax Spotlight on Fashion, to be held at 11:30 a.m. May 9 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Cost is \$40. Information: www.fairfaxspotlight.org, 703-352-ARTS.

Farmers Markets Begin May 9, 10

Farmers markets are held May through October at the corner of West and Main streets in the city. Information: 703-642-0128, www.fairfaxsatdaymarket.com.

The Downtown Fairfax Coalition Community Market will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays May 9 through October 31.

The Sunday Farmers Market will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays May 10 through October 25.

Stay Informed With Fairfax City Alert

Find out first! Find out fast! Find out about city government activities and services via Fairfax City Alert. Enroll today: www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert. Information: 703-385-7992.



Mason Holds Convocations, Commencement May 13-16; Other Ceremonies Planned

The city congratulates George Mason University's Class of 2015 celebrating convocation and commencement May 13-16 on the Fairfax campus.

Other schools — including area univer-

sities, community colleges and high schools — hold their commencement ceremonies on Mason's Fairfax campus in May and June.

These events may affect traffic in the city and adjacent to the university. Information: www.gmu.edu, 703-993-8846.

Bike to Work Pit Stop Offered in Old Town Square May 15

Bike to work on May 15 — stop by the city's pit stop in Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive. Pre-register by May 8 at www.biketoworkmetrodc.org for a free prizes.

Antique Car Show on May 16

View antique cars — and see a Ford Model-T rebuilt in 15 minutes — at the Antique Car Show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 16 at 10455 Armstrong Street (in front of City Hall). The show is presented by Northern Virginia Regional Group of the Early Ford V-8 Club, the Downtown Fairfax Coalition and the city. Information: 703-273-6097.

Virginia Sales Tax Holiday in Effect May 25-31

The Commonwealth of Virginia has established a sales tax holiday May 25-31 to assist the public with the purchase of hurricane and emergency preparedness equipment.

Certain items will be exempt from Virginia sales tax May 25-31, including generators costing \$1,000 or less, and other supplies costing \$60 or less — from bottled water to batteries to insulated lunch bags. Information: www.tax.virginia.gov, (804) 367-8031.

OTC, Prescription Medicine Drop-Off Set for May 30

Participate in Medicine Take-Back Day by bringing unwanted prescription and over-the-counter medications to the City of Fairfax Police Station, 3730 Old Lee Highway.

Pills, ointments and liquids in sealed containers will be accepted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 30 at the police station. Drop-off is anonymous. Information: 703-385-7829.



The city seeks additional community participation in the creation of a conceptual plan for Old Lee Highway — and will hold its second outreach meeting at 7 p.m. June 4 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

At this meeting, the city will present conceptual alternatives for public review and comment.

The alternatives are being developed

based on the feedback received at the first public meeting in March.

The final result will be a refined conceptual plan for Old Lee Highway, which the City Council may use should it choose to consider alternatives for Old Lee Highway.

Unable to attend the meeting? Review the alternatives June 5-19 in the City Hall Annex, Room 200 or online at www.fairfaxva.gov/OldLeeHwy. Information: 703-385-7889.

Northfax Project Has Begun With Utility Pole, Overhead Line Relocation

The first phase of the Northfax project has begun with the installation of new utility poles along southbound Route 123/Chain Bridge Road near Fairfax Boulevard (Route 29/50). This work is expected to continue into July, weather permitting.

Poles will be installed between Orchard Street and Warwick Avenue, and crossing Fairfax Boulevard. After the poles are set, utility lines will be transferred to the new poles.

The Northfax project will improve the

roads at and around the Route 123 and Fairfax Boulevard intersection, improve pedestrian accommodations at the intersection, improve drainage and eliminate flooding in the intersection and improve road lane alignments on Route 123 and Fairfax Boulevard. Information: 703-385-7810.

Traffic may be affected, so consider subscribing to Fairfax City Alert's "Scheduled Road Constructions and Closure" category to receive notices; visit www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert.

Protect Against Home Repair Scams by Unreliable Service Providers: Check for Licenses

First in a series

Many property owners launch repairs and improvements during spring and summer months. The City of Fairfax Police Department wants the community to be aware of unlicensed individuals soliciting for work in city neighborhoods.

These individuals often target neighborhoods with elderly residents and advise property owners to undertake unneeded home repairs and yard work.

They often do not perform the work promised or overcharge for services. Often they ask for all-cash payments, often before the work begins. When completing a job,

they mention other issues that merit immediate attention (which may not be needed).

Protect yourself: confirm contractors are properly licensed and have obtained proper permits to solicit in the city, and to perform contracting services in the city.

All solicitors in the city are required to obtain a valid solicitor's license from the police department before approaching you. Confirm licenses or report unlicensed solicitors by calling 703-385-7950.

Neighbors can look out for each other to help protect against victimization.

Next month: how to confirm contractors are properly licensed.



Residential Appearance Award Nominees Sought by May 15

The Community Appearance Committee is soliciting nominations for superior city residential properties — townhomes or single family homes — that are well-maintained with unique or outstanding landscape features. Nominations are judged by a panel of experts.

Winners are recognized with a yard sign and receive a framed certificate during a City Council meeting.

This year, Twins Ace Hardware is sponsoring the contest and will award a \$75 gift card to award winners.

Please submit nominations by May 15 via a form on the Community Appearance Committee Web page (www.fairfaxva.gov/Host/cac/spring_award.html#spring_residential). Information: 703-385-7995.

Recycling Center Open Daily; No Separation Required

City residents are strongly encouraged to recycle — and may use the Recycling Center open and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 3410 Pickett Road. Items do not have to be sorted — simply place items in the proper containers.

Recycling, Disposal Information Available

The city can tell you what is collected curbside and what can be taken to the recycling center — and that information is available on two flyers posted on the website and available upon request:

- *How to Dispose of Items in the City,*
- *Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever.*

Information: 703-293-7141.

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INFORMATION: 703-385-7837

Fire Department Launches Smoke Alarm Campaign

The City of Fairfax Fire Department will conduct a citywide smoke alarm campaign this spring and summer, in cooperation with other city agencies, the American Red Cross and other groups. Fire personnel will visit city homes to provide free testing and replacement batteries and free battery-powered smoke alarms.

Working smoke alarms are an important part of home safety. Residential smoke alarms should be tested monthly and batteries replaced annually (unless they're 10-year batteries). Inter-connected smoke alarms powered by household current have backup batteries that require annual replacement.

Detector should be replaced every 10 years because the sensor becomes less effective with age.

Information: 703-385-7830.

Treasurer, Revenue Offices Complete Software Conversion

The city's offices of the Commissioner of the Revenue and Treasurer have completed a two-year software conversion, facilitated by the Information Technology Department.

The new system fully integrates assessment and collection functions of a majority of city tax revenue sources. It provides efficiencies in assessments and collections, offers enhanced reporting capabilities, streamlines the city's treasury functions, provides greater conveniences to customers and enhances city collection efforts.

Real Estate Tax Bills Mailed

City of Fairfax real estate tax bills will be mailed in May. Information: 703-385-7900. Property owners who directly pay this tax but do not receive a bill should call 703-385-7900. Those whose mortgage company escrows the payment should forward any bill received to their mortgage company.

#TGIFairfax — Rock the Block

2015 Season Begins!

May 22: Gonzo's Nose • June 26: SouthPaw

July 24: The Reflex • August 28: The Hackens Boys

September 25: Almost Journey/2U

6-9 p.m., Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive

live bands • lawn games • beer garden •

city restaurant vendor booths • bring your own lawn chair



ROCK THE BLOCK!

#TGIFairfax

Fourth Fridays, May through September

Info: www.fairfaxva.gov/RockTheBlock • 703-385-7858

Ride of the Patriots is May 24; Fairfax Boulevard Traffic Affected

Join the Memorial Day celebrations May 24 with a hometown parade and the annual Ride of the Patriots.

This ride honors military and public safety personnel and is a staging area for Rolling Thunder, a national motorcycle event.

From 6:30-9:30 a.m. May 24, eastbound Fairfax Boulevard will be closed from Eaton Place to Fairfax Circle to accommodate thousands of motorcycles expected to line up for the ride. During this time, westbound Fairfax Boulevard from Eaton Place to Fairfax Circle will become a two-way street.

The parade will step off at 7:10 a.m. on eastbound Fairfax Boulevard from Capt.

Pell's Crab House near Plantation Parkway and will end at Patriot Harley-Davidson, 9739 Fairfax Boulevard.

Opening ceremonies begin at 8:05 a.m. at Patriot Harley-Davidson.

Beginning at 9 a.m., motorcycle riders will depart under police escort for the Pentagon.

Bleachers will be set up for spectators. Veterans groups will sell food and drinks on the route. Parking is available at Fairfax High School and the Fairfax Circle shopping center.

Information: www.rideofthepatriots.com, 703-352-5400.

Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- Board of Architectural Review (one vacancy)
- Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments (one vacancy)
- Community Appearance Committee (one vacancy)
- Economic Development Authority (one vacancy)
- Environmental Sustainability Committee (one vacancy)
- Northern Virginia Workforce Investment Board (one vacancy)

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission.

Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Crowder. Vacancies are subject to change.

Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply.

Information: 703-385-7935.

Volunteer!



CITYSCREEN SCHEDULE

The Fairfax Scene

Oral histories from four longtime City of Fairfax residents, presented by Historic Fairfax City, Inc..

Daily: 2 pm, 6 pm through May 14

Learn about life during the American Civil War through highlights from previous Fairfax Civil War Day events.

Daily: 2 pm, 6 pm beginning May 15

Archived online: "special programming"

Available on city's YouTube channel

Archived online April 20

OnDEMAND May 7

Work session: Tuesday, May 5, 7 pm, LIVE



replays:

Wednesday, May 6, 10 am, 7 pm

Friday, May 8, 10 am, 7 pm

Saturday, May 9, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, May 10, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online May 6

Meeting: Tuesday, May 12, 7 pm, LIVE



replays:

Wednesday, May 13, 10 am, 7 pm

Friday, May 15, 10 am, 7 pm

Saturday, May 16, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, May 17, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online May 13

OnDEMAND May 20

Meeting: Tuesday, May 26, 7 pm, LIVE



replays:

Wednesday, May 27, 10 am, 7 pm

Friday, May 29, 10 am, 7 pm

Saturday, May 30, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, May 31, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online May 27

OnDEMAND June 3

Planning Commission

Monday, May 11, 7 pm, LIVE



replays:

Tuesday, May 12, 10 am

Thursday, May 14, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online May 12

Road to Recovery

Series produced by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services deals with many topics related to addiction, treatment and recovery

10 am, 7 pm on days when meetings/replays are not scheduled.

Meetings, Programs Available for Loan and Purchase

Cityscreen-12 programs, including televised city meetings, are available for loan on Blu-ray and DVD from the City Manager's Office (703-385-7855; WeCare@fairfaxva.gov). Blu-ray and DVD copies of some programs may be purchased for \$15 each. (Please note: some programs may not be available for purchase.) Programs may be recorded for private viewing. Information: Rachael.Roth@fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7803.

School Board



Monday, May 4, 7:30 pm, LIVE

replays:

Tuesday, May 5, 10 am

Thursday, May 7, 10 am

Monday, May 18, 10 am, 7 pm

Tuesday, May 19, 10 am, 7 pm

Thursday, May 21, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online May 6

City Council

Replays of the April 29 meeting:

Friday, May 1, 10 am, 7 pm

Saturday, May 2, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, May 3, 10 am, 7 pm

Proposed Agendas: School Board, City Council, Planning Commission

School Board

(Information: 703-385-7910)

May 4 regular meeting

- Presentation of Virginia School Board Association Business Honor Roll.
- Spotlight on Learning.
- Student representative report.
- Presentation on city summer school plans.

May 18 work session

- Presentation of End-of-Year Reports from City School Board representatives to Fairfax County Public Schools committees.
- Finalize School Board annual retreat agenda.

City Council

(Information: 703-385-7935)

May 5 work session

- Discussion of possible economic development incentives for businesses.

May 12 regular meeting

- Consideration of a resolution establishing a policy regarding public art.
- Public hearing on a request for a special use permit to allow a telecommunications facility that exceeds 65 feet in height when mounted on top of the commercial building in C-2 Retail Commercial District and Old Town Fairfax

Transition Overlay District at 10555 Main Street.

- Public hearing on a request for a special use permit to continue a child care center use and special exception for continued parking reduction located at Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road.
- Public hearing on an ordinance allowing for the extension of a lease agreement with Main Street Child Development Center at Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road.
- Public hearing on an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to interest charged on delinquent personal property and real estate taxes.

May 26 regular meeting

- Public hearing for a special exception for a fence in required front yard at Northern Virginia Auto Body, 3160 Roanoke Street.
- Public hearing on a request for a special use permit for telecommunication facilities at 10301 Democracy Lane.
- Public hearing on a request for a rezoning of the Oak Knolls apartment complex, 10742-10764 Main Street.
- Public hearing on an ordinance for a zoning text amendment to the Residential Planned Development District.
- Update and briefing on the Zoning Ordinance Rewrite.

Planning Commission

(Information: 703-385-7930)

May 11 regular meeting

- Review of Chapter 7 and Appendices A, B, and C of the Fairfax Boulevard Master Plan.

Please note: proposed agendas and other meeting information are subject to change. Please confirm prior to the meeting: information will be available on the city website or by phone at the numbers listed above.

Apply Now for the Citizen's Fire Academy

Learn more about the operation and organization of the City of Fairfax Fire Department at the Citizen's Fire Academy, which begins September 10 at the city's Public Safety Training Center, 9650 Colonial Avenue.

Class size is limited to 16 students, so register early on the city website.

Information: 703-385-7940.



Summary of City Council meeting actions. For a complete copy, or for the minutes of meetings, call 703-385-7935.

City Council Reporter

March 10, 2015

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a special event application request by Fairfax Little League for their annual opening day ceremony/parade; Consideration of an Award of Contract to Sagres Construction Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$167,551 to construct a section of the George T. Snyder Trail. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)

Public hearings

- Public hearing on City of Fairfax proposed budget for fiscal year 2015-16 — no action taken and the public hearing remains open until April 29, 2015.
- Approved, unanimously, a zoning text amendment amending City Code pertaining to storm drainage facilities. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)
- Approved, unanimously, a zoning text amendment amending City Code pertaining to the floodplain. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)
- Approved, unanimously, a supplemental appropriation resolution in the amount of \$60,000 for the transfer of NVTa 30 percent monies from the Transportation Tax Fund to the Capital Fund to fund the George T. Snyder Trail project. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)
- Approved, 4-1, a supplemental appropriation resolution in the amount of \$34,976 for the transfer of NVTa 30 percent monies from the Transportation Tax Fund to the Downtown Fund to fund design for Old Town sidewalk spot widening. (In favor: Councilmembers Greenfield, Meyer, Miller, and Schmidt; opposed: Councilmember Loftus. Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)
- Deferred until May 12, 2015, a public hearing on a request for a special use permit to allow a telecommunications facility that exceeds 65 feet in height when mounted on top of the commercial building in C-2 Retail Commercial District and Old Town Fairfax Transition Overlay District, at 10555 Main Street.

Items not requiring a public hearing

- Approved, 3-2, to advertise a proposed 2015-16 real estate tax rate of \$1.065 per \$100 of assessed value. (In favor: Councilmembers Greenfield, Meyer, and Miller; opposed: Councilmembers Loftus and Schmidt. Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)

Actions out of closed meeting/Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- Reappointed Gail Wade to the George Mason University Fairfax Campus Advisory Board.
- Appointed Eric Mitnacht to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

March 24, 2015

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously, consideration to receive the list of delinquent taxes from the City Treasurer in compliance with State Code Section 58.1-3921, write off taxes in compliance with State Code Section 58.1-3940 and consideration to publish the list of delinquent taxes. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)

Public hearings

- Public hearing on the City of Fairfax proposed budget for fiscal year 2015-16 — no action taken.
- Approved, unanimously, that the City Council approve the request for a temporary use in the Highway Corridor Overlay District and to allow a commercial use or development in the Highway Corridor Overlay District seeking vehicular access from a local street which also provides access to residential areas at 3580 and 3590 Chain Bridge Road and 10505, 10507, 10509 and 10511 Orchard Street, subject to conditions. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)
- Approved, unanimously, that the City Council approve the request for a temporary use in the Highway Corridor Overlay District and to allow a com-

mercial use or development in the Highway Corridor Overlay District seeking vehicular access from a local street which also provides access to residential areas at 10508, 10510 and 10512 Orchard Street, subject to conditions. (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)

Attend City Council meetings and work sessions in the City Hall Annex. Agendas are available on the city's website, or contact the City Clerk's Office (CityClerk@fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7935.

Watch televised City Council meetings and work sessions live and replayed on Cityscreen-12, the city's cable television station, as well as on Cox Communications OnDEMAND and on the city's website. See schedule on page 5.

Information Resources

City website

www.fairfaxva.gov

24-hour access, updates

Cityscreen-12

Channel 12 on cable television and city website

24-hour access, updates

Fairfax City Alert message system

messages sent to subscribers via e-mail, pager, text and phone

24-hour access, updates

City newsline

703-273-1776

recorded information
24-hour access, updates

General Information

703-385-7855 (TTY: 711)
regular business hours

Emergency Management

703-385-4856 (TTY: 711)
regular business hours

Community Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

City Government Information 703-585-7855
 City News and Events 703-273-1776
 Arts and Cultural Events 703-352-ARTS
 City of Fairfax Regional Library 703-293-6227
 Civil War Interpretive Center 703-591-0560
 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703-385-8414
 George Mason University Events 703-993-1056

Calendar information is subject to last-minute change.



continues
through May 9 —
complete schedule at
www.fairfaxspotlight.org

Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. Information: today.gmu.edu, 703-993-1056

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Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)
 Our Daily Bread: Artful Living, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center

2

Old Town Square grand opening, 9-11 am, 3999 University Drive
 Derby-Q, 2-7 pm, Old Town Square
 MCTFest, 6 pm, Sherwood Community Center

3

MusicLink Recital, 1 pm, Old Town Hall
 An Afternoon in Wonderland, 2 pm, Sherwood Community Center
 School of Music Young Masters Concert, 7 pm, Center for the Arts

4

Mr. Skip, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall
 School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex
 Mason Jazz Vocal Night, 8 pm, Center for the Arts

5

City Council work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex
 Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 pm, City Hall Annex
 Encore Chorale, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center

6

Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex
 Lecture Series and meeting: Streams by Danielle Wynne, 7 pm; Environmental Sustainability Committee meeting, 7:15 pm, Sherwood Community Center

7

Video Fairfax Awards, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center
 City of Fairfax Democratic Committee meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex

8

Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)
 Mother-Son Camp Out, 5 pm, Van Dyck Park
 Fairfax Academy: Fashion in Motion, 7:30 pm, Sherwood Community Center

9

Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Ratcliffe-Allison House tours
 Guided Walking Tour, 11 am, Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road
 Woman's Club of Fairfax: Spotlight on Fashion, 11:30 am, Sherwood Community Center

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Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Second Sunday Series: Dr. Kate Waller Barrett: More than a Mother to Many, 2 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center
 Acting for Young People: Alice in Wonderland, Jr., Center for the Arts

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Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

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City Council meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

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George Mason University Convocations (through May 16)
 Economic Development Authority meeting, 6 pm, Mason Enterprise Center
 Historic Fairfax City, Inc., meeting, 7 pm, Historic Blenheim

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George Mason University Convocations
 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

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George Mason University Convocations
 Bike to Work Day, 6-9 am, Old Town Square
 Sherwood Cinema Series: Big Hero 6, 7 pm, Sherwood Center
 Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Anniversary celebration, The Clubs at Quantico

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George Mason University Convocations, Commencement
 Farmers' Market
 Antique Car Show, 10 am to 3 pm, City Hall
 Ratcliffe-Allison House tours
 City of Fairfax Band, 7:30 pm, W.T. Woodson High School

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Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Northern Virginia Youth and Junior Winds: Roots, 3 pm, Center for the Arts

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Old Town Hall Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall
 School Board work session, 7:30 pm, Fairfax High School

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Commission on the Arts meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Center
 Commission for Women meeting, 7:15 pm, City Hall

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Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

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Independence Day Celebration Committee, 7 pm, City Hall
 City of Fairfax Republican Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

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Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)
 Rock the Block! #TGIFairfax: Gonzo's Nose, 6-9 pm, Old Town Square

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Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am to 2 pm, 10386 Main Street

24

Hurricane and Emergency Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday
 Farmers' Market
 Ride of the Patriots, 6:30-9:30 am, 9739 Fairfax Boulevard — traffic detours in effect

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Memorial Day: **Refuse and recyclables not collected**; city government offices, General District Court closed; CUE Bus on Saturday schedule
 Memorial Day Ceremony, 10 am, Veterans Amphitheater

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Monday and Tuesday refuse and recyclables routes collected

City Council meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

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Hurricane and Emergency Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday
 Zoning Ordinance Rewrite meeting: open house, 1-4 pm; presentation, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center

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Hurricane and Emergency Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday
 Community Appearance Committee Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

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Hurricane and Emergency Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday
 Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)

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Hurricane and Emergency Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday
 Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Medicine Take-Back event, 10 am to 2 pm, City of Fairfax Police Station
 William 'Extra Billy' Smith: The Governor's Odyssey, 2 pm, Historic Blenheim

31 Hurricane/ Emergency Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday



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City Happenings

Mother/Son Camp Out Set for May 8-9

Mothers and sons — adult women with their young menfolk — can spend the night May 8 in the great outdoors of Van Dyck Park: pitch a tent, bring a sleeping bag and prepare for fun adventures and activities.

Dinner, breakfast and s'mores (and campfire) will be provided. Cost is \$30 per person. *Information:* 703-385-7858.

Take a Guided Walking Tour of Old Town Fairfax May 9

Discover Fairfax history on foot with a guided tour of Old Town Fairfax.

Tours step off at 11 a.m. from Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road, on May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8 and September 12.

Cost is \$10 per person age 13 and older, \$5 for youth age 6-12 or \$25 per family. Reservations are recommended; call 703-385-8414.

Get to Know Kate Waller Barrett, Billy Smith May 10, 30

Let Museum Curator Susan Gray introduce “Dr. Kate Waller Barrett: More than a Mother to Many” at 2 p.m. May 10 at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street. *Information:* 703-385-8414.

Learn about “William ‘Extra’ Billy’ Smith: The Governor’s Odyssey” at 2 p.m. May 30 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim 3610 Old Lee Highway. *Information:* 703-691-0560.

Sherwood Cinema Series Continues May 15; Food Donations Accepted

Watch *Big Hero 6* for free May 15 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Lights go down at 7 p.m., and participants may bring their own snacks.

Our Daily Bread is accepting non-perishable food donations from 7-9 p.m.; call for guidelines.

Local Pools Offer Memberships

Three community pools are available to city residents. Please note: memberships costs and fees may apply.

- Country Club Hills Swimming Pool, 3622 Old Post Road (www.cchpool.com)
- Fairfax Swimming Pool, 4200 Roberts Road (www.fairfaxpool.com)
- Mosby Woods Pool, 3136 Plantation Parkway (www.mosbywoodspool.com)

Other pools near the city include:

- George Mason University Aquatic Center, 4400 University Drive (recreation.gmu.edu/aquatics)
- Oak Marr RECenter, 3200 Jermantown Road, Oakton (www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec/oakmarr)

Ratcliffe-Allison House Tours Offered on Saturdays

Take a free tour of the Ratcliffe-Allison House, 10386 Main Street — from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays through October. Tours also may be scheduled in advance. *Information:* 703-385-8414.